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State university tuition jumps 33%

■ Students scramble for ways to fund education

By Roger Denman
el Don Staff Writer

LONG BEACH - Students of the California State Universities and Universities of California were dealt a crippling blow last week when the trustees of both systems voted unanimously to increase annual tuition fees over 33 percent beginning next fall.

This decision will cost 277,000 CSU undergraduate students \$480 more than they are now paying, raising the new tuition total to \$1,788 per year, according to the Orange County Register.

These fee hikes are just part of a proposal to increase tuition for undergraduate students at CSU's to over \$2,500 per year starting in 1995. The proposal is still awaiting legislative approval.

The students that will be most affected by this increase, however, are the 70,000 CSU graduate students. They will be forced to endure a 64 percent increase that will raise their fees to \$2,148 per year. The Los Angeles Times reported that this is the first time in CSU history that graduate students will have to pay higher tuition than undergraduate students.

Graduate students will eventually pay close to 150 percent of what undergraduates pay per year, which would amount to \$3,810 in

1995-96, said Molly Corbett Broad, the Cal State system's executive vice chancellor.

Cal State Chancellor Barry Munitz, who proposed the change in the price of an education at the CSU's, said that this increase has a purpose, which is to provide more classes for students next year.

Munitz also said that he wants to have wealthier families pay more of the "actual cost" of education, which is estimated to be about \$7,700 per student per year by CSU

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No MORE HOME ON THE RANGE

Marines based at El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, such as this one practicing on the pistol range, are scheduled to relocate to various bases around the world after El Toro's closure. Most of them will be going to Miramar Naval Air Station and Camp Pendleton in San Diego County.

Photo Courtesy U.S. Marine Corps

Base shutdown forces students to relocate

By Larry Murrieta
el Don Staff Writer

EL TORO - Many Marine families who call the U.S. Marine Corps Air Station at El Toro home see the proposed base closure and their relocation as a peacetime sacrifice they wish they did not have to make.

"I don't think that you can understand how we feel if you're not a Marine family," said Sandy Nuttins, an RSC student and the wife of a master sergeant in the Marine Corps. "It's easy for people to view this as a reduction in the size of the armed

forces or the securing of a safer future, but to us it means losing our homes and seeing friends moved from one end of the earth to another."

"You can't imagine how frustrating it is to keep moving from town to town. Raising well adjusted children is difficult when you have to keep moving them from a somewhat familiar scene to a base they know nothing about," said Nuttins. "The closing of El Toro is going to make life a little bit harder for a lot of Marine families."

Sandy Nuttins isn't the only RSC student feeling the impact of what

many people on campus say will be another hard knock to an already bruised scholastic economy. Fewer students enrolling in classes means fewer government dollars for school budgets.

"I already dropped four of my classes," said Kyle Banning, an RSC student and Marine Corps officer. "I have to be ready to scoot out of here at a moment's notice so I can't re-register for next semester either. It's kind of stressing knowing that I'll have to leave my family and friends but I guess I should be looking at this as though it were an

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Clinton plan trades service for education

■ Trading a few years of community service for a college voucher is a reasonable alternative to finding a diminishing financial aid, says the President

By Charles Dervarics
Special to el Don

WASHINGTON - Asking the nation's youth to join him in "a great national adventure," President Clinton has outlined a broad-based service program that eventually would offer up to 100,000 college students a chance to get education aid in exchange for community work.

"National service is nothing less than the American way to change America," Clinton said March 1 at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J. His speech was

greeted with loud cheers by the students who packed the university's gymnasium.

Among other tasks, students in the service program would help rebuild neighborhoods, clean up the environment and counsel children, Clinton said. In the process, they would earn tuition vouchers or forgiveness of student loans and set in motion a new national commitment to service.

Students also would have an option to repay college loans by deducting a percentage of their salaries after graduation.

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New birth control injection raises health concerns

By Larry Murrieta
el Don Staff Writer

The most recent salvo in the pharmaceutical war against unwanted pregnancy has been fired: Depo-Provera, the first injectable contraceptive, now available to women in the United States.

"We're really excited about the new contraceptive," said Florence Steinberg, a spokesperson for the Upjohn company, manufacturer of Depo-Provera. "It's 99 percent effective, which makes it one of the three most effective forms of birth control."

The other two, according to Steinberg, are Norplant, an implantable contraceptive that can last up to five years, and abstinence.

Once a woman has discussed the Depo-Provera option with her doctor, the entire process of preparation and injection takes less than three minutes. Each injection provides birth control for three months.

Depo-Provera inhibits ovulation by triggering the pituitary gland to release progesterone, the hormone found in pregnant women. By making the body think that it is already pregnant, ovulation and the production of egg cells are stopped.

According to Darroch-Forrest, women on Depo-Provera may experience one or more of the following side effects: irregular menstrual bleeding, bone mineral change, a slight increase in the risk

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College Wire

Book Tells How To Launch Careers

(CPS)-Ethics is an important consideration for graduating seniors as they launch their careers, according to a new book.

"Success without honesty is failure," says Richard Fein, author of "First Job" and placement director for the School of Management at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

The book gives advice about how to identify and emphasize positive characteristics, resume drafting and difficult interview questions. Discussions of ethics in the job search are placed throughout the book.

Students Explore Physical Barriers

RALEIGH, N.C. (CPS)-A program at North Carolina State University teaches architecture students to become more sensitive to the needs of handicapped persons by switching places with people who are blind, deaf or confined to wheelchairs.

"The Sight, Sound and Motion Workshop," which was attended in February by 62 students from the Department of Design, allowed aspiring designers on the Raleigh, N.C., campus to experience life with vision, hearing or movement impairments.

Students wear blindfolds and earplugs for hours or ride in wheelchairs to simulate the handicapped experience. Later in the day, students meet with volunteers from handicapped services organizations to discuss the events.

"Many come out of the workshop passionate advocates of universal design," said John Tector, the architectural professor who founded the program.

Tector said students also discuss design ideas and styles that would make buildings more accessible to the handicapped.

"It is a profound experience," Tector said. "A lot of the students are not able to express it immediately. They just didn't realize the impact a designer's life has on the lives of these people."

Schools Engage In Blood Feud

PHILADELPHIA (CPS)-Rivalry between Temple University and Penn State was notched up a bit in February when the Temple Owls beat the Nittany Lions of Penn State in a month-long blood donor competition.

This is the second year the two universities have squared off in the Lifesaver Cup. The trophy will be moved from Penn State in University Park, Pa., to Temple in Philadelphia. The Nittany Lions won the first round in 1992.

"I thought it would be fun for students to set up a competition for blood collection," said Andrea Dunn, college recruitment specialist with the Red Cross for the Penn-Jersey region. "Blood collection is a serious thing, but it's good to have fun at the same time."

Penn State's goal was to get 1,000 pints of blood, and 685 students, or 68 percent of the goal, donated. Temple's goal was 720 pints, and 630 students, or 87 percent of the goal, donated.

People also have the mistaken idea that one can get the AIDS virus from donating blood, Dunn said. "That's totally impossible," she said.

Blood banks in the Philadelphia area had 67 units of O positive blood on hand in February, when the normal goal is to have 1,600 units.

Student groups at Temple, including the Latino Student Association, the College of Arts and Sciences, dormitories and the School of Education, rolled up their sleeves to donate blood in the spirit of volunteerism and friendly rivalry with Penn State.

Similar groups did the same thing at Penn State, she said.

Job Outlook Improving

MILWAUKEE (CPS)-Hiring prospects are improving for the second quarter of this year, according to a survey of 15,000 businesses nationwide.

Manpower's poll of second-quarter hiring plans showed that 26 percent of respondents said they would increase staff levels during the March-May period and 7 percent reported plans for work reductions. Another 67 percent plan no new hiring.

"Employers are now planning new staffing beyond the seasonal variations of the past two years. It appears we are headed for a real increase," said Manpower President Mitchell Fromstein.

The figures represent an increase from last quarter, when 17 percent planned further hiring and 13 percent were cutting back, according to Manpower, a Milwaukee-based temporary help service. For the second quarter a year ago, 21 percent of the firms surveyed were planning to increase work forces.

A breakdown of professions and hiring plans include:

■ Construction: Spring is the traditional period for a rise in construction hiring; 36 percent of the surveyed firms plan more hiring, and 8 percent plan cutbacks.

■ Transportation and public utilities: Hiring forecasts still lag behind most other industries, with 18 percent expecting to hire and 8 percent indicating they will trim employment rolls.

■ Finance, insurance and real estate: These professions are starting to move forward in hiring, Manpower said, although at a slow rate. Of the firms surveyed, 21 percent said they will increase personnel and 8 percent will be reducing staff levels.

■ Education, public and private: Jobs in these fields, which have been hard to find in the past two years, are not loosening up, Manpower found. Only 12 percent of the respondents plan on hiring teachers, and 8 percent will seek decreases.

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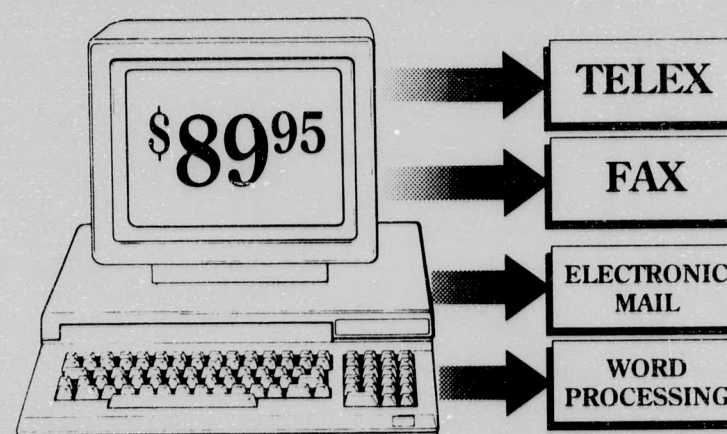


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A piece of the AIDS Memorial Quilt visited RSC's Santa Ana campus on Tuesday. Visitors got to see the impact of AIDS first hand as they viewed quilted panels commemorating those who have died from disease.

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FEES: grad students in financial limbo

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officials.

"Subsidizing those who clearly have the ability to pay makes no sense with the current pressures on the state budget," said Munitz. Right now, tuition covers only about one-third of the cost. Taxpayers foot the bill for the remaining dollars that it takes to educate a student at a CSU.

These costs are the bare minimum for an education at Cal State. With off-campus living expenses estimated to be around \$8,370 next year, the total cost for some undergraduates would increase to \$10,328, according to the California Student Aid Commission.

Similarly, the University of California Board of Regents has enacted a fee increase of \$995 that will bring the annual tuition rate up to \$4,039, not including room and board.

RSC students have already been introduced to fee increases over the last several months, but the hikes in tuition at the CSU's could reduce the chances of success for community college transfer students.

"I can't believe the fee increases

(at the CSU's and UC's)," said RSC television communications student Alex Saltzmann. "I'm 23 years old and I want to transfer as soon as possible. But I'm not going to be able to transfer in time to beat that increase."

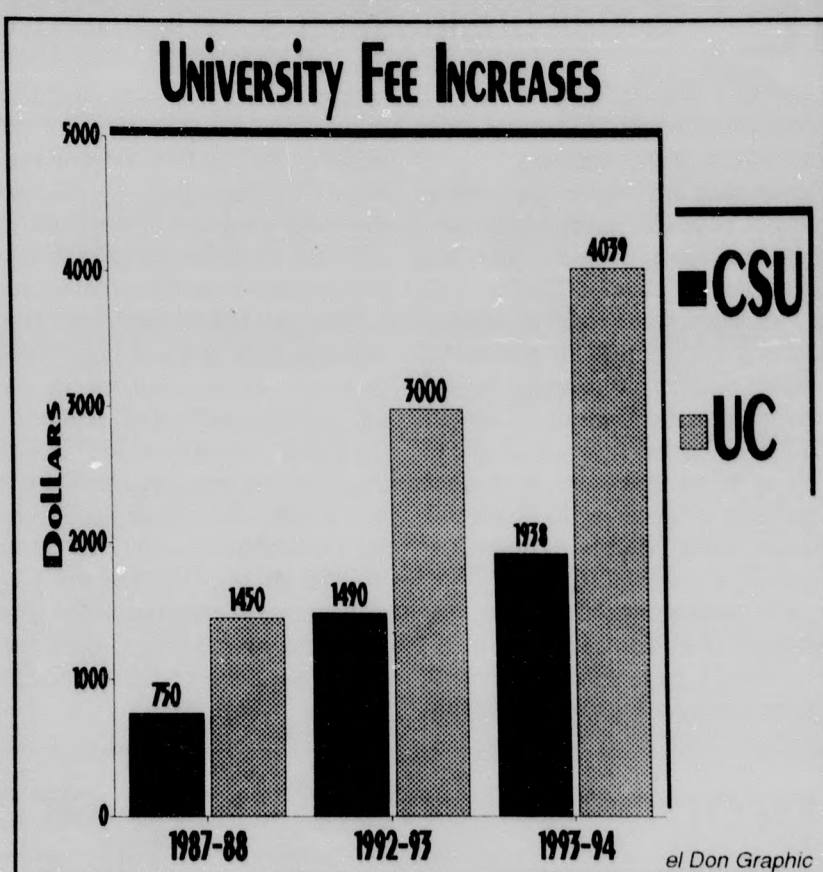
Saltzmann said that the tuition increase has made him reconsider his educational goals.

"I think that I will just try to get an associate degree and see what happens from there," he said. He had originally planned to get a bachelor's degree, but he said that he might not be able to afford an education at a university.

Lisa Thomas, a spokesperson for Golden West College, said that the increase could cause an overflow of disgruntled CSU and UC students to go to community colleges. And in return, this will drive already rising community college rates through the roof.

"The whole reason that community colleges are successful is because they're affordable. With the increase in students here, the people who can't pay are being forced out of the system," Thomas said.

Some students have taken an



active approach to coping with the problem of skyrocketing tuition rates. Tammy Tatum, a senior at San Diego State University, attended a meeting of the board of CSU trustees and pleaded with the members, rather than taking part in protests.

"Basically, you are leaving us without a future," Tatum said.

Although the board has said that one-third of the revenue that is collected from the fee increase will be used to strengthen financial aid systems for public colleges in California, Tatum was not impressed.

"The promises for financial aid have not materialized in the past," said Tatum.

EL TORO: Students learn what 'mobile' military means

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adventure...it's all part of the job...I just wish I didn't have to give up everything that I've already started here at Rancho."

Many students who are in the armed forces or who have parents and relatives in the service are just beginning to learn what it's like in the ever-mobile military.

"I don't want to leave," said Tina Lashing, RSC student and the daughter of a Marine captain stationed at El Toro. "All I know is that I've been told to pack up most of my things and prepare to be relocated to another base. I've spent the last 18 years of my life in Orange County and now I have to dig up my roots and move."

"It's something that can't be avoided," said Cpl. Gail Smith, also a student at RSC. "No one wants to move but Marines are taught to roll with the punches. Personally, I don't like the idea because I'll be leaving behind a fiancé and a life that I've come to enjoy. But then I guess I don't have to like it, I just have to do it."

SERVICE:

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Some details of the program, such as how much of a stipend community volunteers would be paid and how much of their college loans would be forgiven, have not been worked out yet.

The president likened his program to the GI Bill after World War II and the Peace Corps in the 1960s. One difference is that Clinton said his program would allow for substantial local autonomy.

"We make progress when people and their government work at the grassroots in true partnership," he said. "I want to empower young people and their communities, not empower a new bureaucracy in Washington."

Clinton provided only modest budget details of his proposal, which would cost an estimated \$7 billion during the next four years. It would begin this year with a "summer of service" for 1,000 young people who would receive leader-

ship training, work at jobs throughout the nation and then meet at the end of the summer for a Youth Service Summit.

The government would fund this \$15 million summer program through the president's short-term economic stimulus package announced last month. Clinton asked students interested in this program to send him a postcard at the White House marked "national service".

The White House envisions 5,000 students participating in service programs in fiscal year 1994 at a federal cost of \$400 million. This figure would grow to an estimated 100,000 students in fiscal year 1997 at an annual cost of \$3.4 billion.

Students generally would trade one or two years of community service for financial assistance with college. A cap will be set on the loan amounts that will be forgiven by the federal government.

The initiative would include not only college students and graduates, but teenagers as well. The

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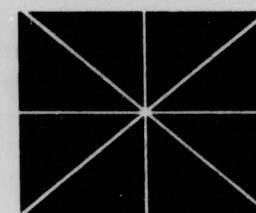
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CLOSURE: Small businesses surrounding the base will suffer

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of the closing of El Toro Marine base.

Possible redevelopment plans for the closing of El Toro include a commercial airport. City officials of Newport Beach targeted the base for closure years ago and according to Mayor Clarence Turner, "the closure (of the El Toro base) is a solution to the county's burgeoning air-travel load that now rests on the shoulders of John Wayne Airport."

"Redevelopment will force me out of business," said Lynn Strohsahl, president of Bordier's Nursery across the street from the base. "Not very often do you find a nursery around any major redevelop-

ment project." According to Strohsahl, moving the nursery could cost her over \$5 million.

Another business in jeopardy is the El Toro Dry Cleaners, located just outside the base's gate and managed by Deanne Jacobs.

"I stand to lose a lot of business," Jacobs said. "Over 80 percent of my customers are from the base. I counted on the Marines for a lot of my business but now we'll have to try to break into the main market and that's not going to be easy. I doubt we'll be able to make the transition successfully."

RSC will also be affected by the closing of El Toro.

Although there are only about 10 active military personnel on cam-

pus, the amount of money lost also depends on the dependents of the military, the spouses and children. Dean of Admissions, Dr. Harold Bateman, said that it was hard to tell how much the school will lose if these people are forced to move.

"The amount of money we lose depends upon a few things," said Bateman. If the students in the military are residents of the state of California, then the school would lose however much the enrollment fees would be at either the \$10 or the \$50 dollar fee depending upon whether or not the students had their bachelor's degree. If the students are nonresidents, then the school would lose the \$105 per unit fee.

"It's always easier to think of things in terms of dollars and cents," said retired Master Sgt. Crowenizer. "That way the Pentagon can say 'look how much we're saving America.' It's all a ploy to keep our mind off the fact that our men and women will be a part of one great card shuffle."

Indeed, the closing of El Toro will make for a confusing game of musical chairs with many Orange County Marines.

"People think I'm nuts for not wanting to go to Hawaii," said Cpl. Smith. "I'm not going to Hawaii for a vacation. I'll have to spend three years under the watchful eye of Uncle Sam. Besides, my life is here in Orange County."

AID: service proposal would help dropout rate

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White House said about 35,000 secondary school students could participate in the program and earn vouchers for their future education.

"When people give something of invaluable merit to their country, they ought to be rewarded with the opportunity to further their education," Clinton said. The president later made the case for his program to a nationwide audience on MTV.

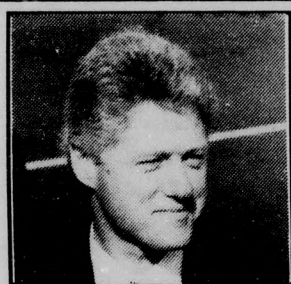
Clinton said the program probably would be built on many existing community programs but also would allow for some "entrepreneurship" in which students could submit their own innovative service proposals for consideration.

So far, the president's program has drawn generally favorable reviews, although most groups want more details.

In Washington, the United States Student Association welcomed the emphasis on service but emphasized that it will reach only a small segment of the nation's 5 million college students.

"I think a lot of people will be inspired by the idea of service," said Stacey Leyton, USSA's president. "But it will in no way replace the need to strengthen the existing student aid programs."

USSA said the president should combine the national service initiative with one to make the Pell Grant program an entitlement,



"We make progress when people and their government work at the grassroots in true partnership," he said. "I want to empower young people and their communities, not empower a new bureaucracy in Washington."

President Bill Clinton

thereby giving more students greater access to post-secondary education.

In addition, teenagers who would earn vouchers before college also must retain their eligibility for the Pell program, she said. If not, students may believe they were "tricked" into providing service when they could have obtained other aid.

Another issue in the debate is the stipend students would receive during their years of service. USSA said some of the figures circulated - minimum wage or as little as \$100 a week - might limit participation only to those who could live at home while they serve. The student group recommended a stipend of at least \$10,000 a year, with higher pay for older, non-traditional students.

USSA also recommended a part-time service option to help recruit the widest cross-section of college students and graduates.

An educator who specializes in community service also wanted more details about Clinton's plan, expressing concern that it unfairly may target low-income students

most in need of aid.

"It's another hoop poor students may have to jump through," said Arnold Mitchem, who has helped build support for programs that recruit low-income and minority youth for college.

Mitchem, who heads the National Council of Educational Opportunity Associations, said he had "mixed feelings" about the plan because the neediest students are most likely to participate.

"It makes a distinction between a middle-income student and a poor student," he said.

During his campaign for the presidency, Clinton envisioned a much larger service initiative but reportedly scaled back those plans because of budget constraints.

He is expected to release more details in April on the structure of his service program in his fiscal 1994 budget.

In addition to the service initiative, the president outlined a number of changes in student loan programs in his Rutgers appearance.

One change could give students a chance to pay back their educa-

tion loans based on a percentage of their post-college income, which he said would allow graduates to take more community service jobs. College graduates complain that economics are forcing them to take higher-paying jobs immediately upon graduation just to repay student loans.

Such a policy would enable graduates to "hold jobs that may accomplish much but pay little," Clinton said.

USSA's Leyton said income-based loan repayment could help some students but hurt others because of higher interest costs and a longer repayment schedule.

She said students needed more details about this element of the president's plan before passing judgment.

For his part, Clinton said his service and loan proposals also would help reduce the college dropout rate, which he described as twice as high as the dropout rate in high schools.

"We can do better than that through national service and adequate financing," he said. No legislation has yet been presented.

DPV:

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of breast cancer and even accidental pregnancy.

"Like any chemical that inhibits normal body productions, there are side effects that can occur when using Depo-Provera," said Jacqueline Darroch-Forrest, Ph.D., vice-president for research at the Alan Guttmacher Institute, an international organization focusing on reproductive health.

To many RSC women, the risks of using Depo-Provera are too high.

"Even if the risk is only at one percent, it is still too much," said Jackie Rollins, an education major. "Putting unnatural chemicals into your body can be like playing Russian roulette."

But not all women were upset with the new form of contraception. Of 20 women interviewed, 13 were happy to hear about Depo-Provera, saying that it was better than nothing at all.

But the debate about Depo-Provera raised a larger issue: many women wanted to know why there wasn't a contraceptive for men.

"There are two forms of contraceptives for men," said Dr. Julie Zimmer of the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals in Washington, DC. "There is the condom and sterilization (vasectomy)."

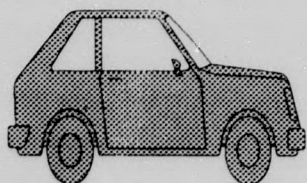
Zimmer said that the lack of progress in the development of male contraception is due to a number of reasons. One reason is because of the complexity of the male reproductive system, Zimmer said.

"Women produce an egg every month but men produce millions of sperm every day," said Zimmer. "Stopping something that happens once a month is a lot easier than stopping something that happens every day, but research is being done and someday there will be more options for men to choose from."

According to Arin Periera, a spokesperson for ARHP, if married or unmarried couples want the most reliable form of birth control, "then perhaps they should practice abstinence."

Whatever a couple chooses, "It is important to get all the facts about what it is that you use," said Dr. Johnathan Pish, a reproductive specialist at UC Irvine. "Products like Depo-Provera sound ... good..., but make sure you read the fine print and don't be afraid to question your doctor if he or she prescribes a contraceptive for you."

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Staff Editorials

The student ID fee saga continues...

Remember how you felt at the beginning of the semester, when you paid the new, higher fees for class registration? You now paid \$10 per unit, in addition to the mandatory \$10 health fee and a new one, the \$5 "student service fee." Many of you wondered what that one was all about. So did we.

Last semester, we caught wind of the proposal which eventually led to the student service fee, and wrote a staff editorial against any new mandatory fees. We received a letter to the editor the next day from the student body president, Heather Herbert. In her letter, Ms. Herbert outlined the proposal and said that in no way would the fee be mandatory. We recanted apologetically, and forgot about the issue.

When spring semester rolled around, and the proposal had passed (without student support) we complained once again, this time with no response from Heather Herbert. The wool had been pulled over our eyes. \$5 please. Gotcha!

A new chapter has now unfolded in the continuing saga of the student service fee. El Don recently obtained a memo from Sara Lundquist, executive dean of student services, to the "student ID card implementation group", dated Nov. 23, 1992. It documented the ways by which a student might be exempted from the student service fee. That's right, exempted.

The memo detailed the refund procedure for students unwilling to pay the new fee. We never saw any signs publicizing the refund procedure. Wonder if there were any. Probably not.

It would be interesting to see what would happen if a large number of students asked for their money back now. Are we still eligible for refunds? Who knows?

Spring is in the air; you know what that means

It's that time of year again, Spring is upon us. With it comes a time that college students across the country hold near and dear to their hearts. SPRING BREAK!

All-night parties, kicking back in the sun and relaxation are the key words for the week. It's a time for students (and even faculty) to throw schooltime worries to the wind, enjoy some (hopefully) sunny weather and take a chill.

However, spring break has a notorious reputation for creating loud, drunk and obnoxious people out of usually normal young adults. Some think this is a good thing, that sometimes we need to shed our skins of normalcy and let loose.

Having a good time is fine. It needs, however, to be tempered with caution, and the wisdom that what is fun now, can sometimes be costly later.

Drinking and driving is not an acceptable form of entertainment. If you do drink over the break, please have a designated driver, or make some other arrangement. Let's try to make this a safe spring break.

Have fun, relax, and most importantly, be careful.



Stern language is still free speech

By Roger Denman
el Don Staff Writer

Is Howard Stern the scourge of America? His comments may seem repugnant to some, but other than being mildly offended or thoroughly amused, Stern's radio show causes no adverse side effects.

Stern's radio program, which is syndicated in most of the major markets in America, has attracted attention from seemingly everyone. From the millions of fans who have made Stern's show number one in cities such as New York and Philadelphia, to those politically correct individuals who dub him racist, sexist, and downright crude, all have an impassioned view of Stern and his show.

Stern has also attracted attention from public officials. Not long ago, the Federal Communications Commission levied a \$105,000 fine against Greater Media, the com-

pany that carries Stern's show in Los Angeles on 97.1 KLSX FM. These fines were handed down because several of Stern's shows were considered to be obscene.

How is it possible that the FCC can hand out fines for obscene material when our own judicial system does not, and cannot, provide clear-cut guidelines regarding obscenity?

This situation brings up an important question. Do we want an organization of old men who received their positions through political favors, (namely the FCC) determining what we can and cannot listen to? If you are offended by Stern's material, you do have the power to tune into another station.

Without question, Stern's radio show is intended for an adult audience, which presents a problem because the airwaves are accessible to anyone who wishes to lis-

ten to them. By Stern's own admission, children should not listen to his show. "That's why my show airs between 6 and 10 a.m. During these hours, children are either getting ready for, or are in school," Stern said on a recent show. He also said that "parents need to be more responsible and more aware of what their kids are up to."

How many convicts can claim that listening to Howard Stern caused them to commit their respective crimes? Whether you do or do not agree with what Stern has to say, if you are a rational person his antics are not going to affect your own beliefs and values.

Please, officials of the FCC, we are big boys and girls and we don't need you to regulate what we listen to. Let us make that decision for ourselves. Go back to checking frequency modulations because, after all, that was the original purpose for your organization.

Names on the AIDS quilt keep growing

By Larry Murrieta
el Don Staff Writer

It doesn't matter how many times I see the AIDS Memorial Quilt. It can either be that one specific panel, one panel, or it could be all 23,728 of them. I can't keep from shedding a few tears as the memories of my best friend play through my mind. I can't stop from thinking about how many best friends, lovers, children, and parents are standing in front of their loved one's quilt, or maybe even Stephanie's quilt, and thinking the same thought: When will all this end?

The idea of the quilt was inspired by traditional quilting and sewing bees and has become an international symbol in the fight against AIDS. It is a sobering sight, seeing literally hundreds of names sewn into their own three-by-six foot pieces of cloth and then stitched to other pieces that will make up one 12 foot by 12 foot section. Too many names.

Still, RSC was lucky enough to have had the honor of displaying the four panels of the quilt recently. Barbara Davis, coordinator of

"I can't stop thinking about how many best friends, lovers, children, and parents are standing in front of their loved one's quilt..."

NAMES Project Orange County, said that showing sections of the quilt at colleges is something that only started this year, and that RSC was the first community college to display the quilt.

If you missed the quilt this time around, then I'm truly sorry. You missed a small piece of history that's not only in the Guinness Book of World Records, but has also been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize twice. You do have another chance to see a couple of the panels March 31 at the Anaheim Convention Center during a physician's workshop on AIDS. Another time

to view the panels is on April 26, at Cal State Fullerton from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Take a good look. You may see a name you recognize.

To me, the quilt is a constant reminder of how much work needs to be done in the fight against AIDS and as beautiful as the quilt is, I yearn for the day when I'll never have to lay my eyes upon the damn thing again in grief. If burning the quilt meant destroying the disease, I wonder how many people would fight me? I know Stephanie would want me to light the first match. I know Stephanie wouldn't want someone else's best friend to go through the pain of watching their best friend die.

If you get to see the quilt, I hope you come away with some kind of perspective on how the disease is affecting you today, right now. It does affect you, you know. In your taxes, in the way you approach dating, even in the way you speak to your friends about sex. Closing your eyes and refusing to listen won't make it go away. Do your part in the fight against AIDS. Look, listen and teach someone else the facts.

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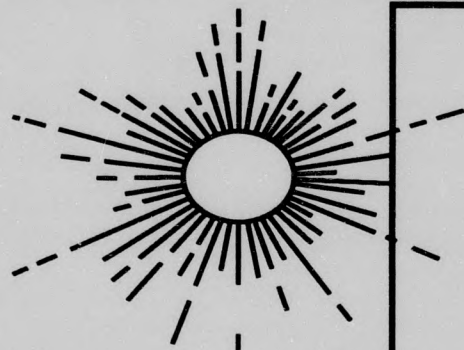
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6. SEINFELD
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7. MURPHY BROWN
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8. COACH
ABC
9. 48 HOURS
CBS
10. WITHOUT A KISS GOODBYE
CBS

1. TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES
Warner Bros.
2. POINT OF NO RETURN
Warner Bros.
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Paramount
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9. HOMEWARD BOUND
Walt Disney
10. ALADDIN
Walt Disney



Special to the el Don

The senior citizens can have Palm Springs. A new Spring Break Mecca has arrived: Lake Havasu. Ritz Entertainment, a high-profile event production company, and B.U.M. Equipment, famous apparel manufacturer, present "Spring Break on the Lake '93," which will transform Lake Havasu into the premier Spring Break destination on the West Coast.

"Spring Break on the Lake '93" will feature exciting yet "safe and clean" activities and a host of celebrity events targeted at college students. More than 100,000 students from the West Coast will flock to Lake Havasu from March 13 to April 10 to, in their own words, "party, catch some rays, and have an awesome time." Located on the California/Arizona border and within driving distance from all West Coast colleges, Lake Havasu has the potential to become the new Spring Break Capital.

"Palm Springs has recently decided to deter college students on the West Coast so there really is no 'hot spot' for them to go," said Paul Stabb, event producer for Ritz entertainment. "We want to offer

Spring Break on the Lake '93

students an alternative place to go that is within driving distance, affordable and really geared towards entertaining the college student."

A full schedule of daily fun-filled activities along with one of the most beautiful lakes in the U.S. will keep the students busy. Primary sponsor B.U.M. Equipment, along with Chip and Pepper, Yamaha Water Vehicles, Ray-Ban Sunglasses, MCI,

Venus Swimwear, John Paul Mitchell Systems and Geo Tracker have planned many special events throughout the three-week period.

B.U.M. Equipment's "Celebrity Paint Pellet War," which will be filmed by MTV Sports, Celebrity Volleyball Competition and Celebrity Waverunner Competition will feature more than a dozen celebrities. Fox-TV will do live broadcasts during the commercial breaks on some of their more popular shows including "Beverly Hills 90210," "The Simpsons" and "Class of '96." With broadcasts on MTV Sports and during Fox-TV's prime time, "Spring Break on the Lake '93" will receive more coverage than any other

spring break in history.

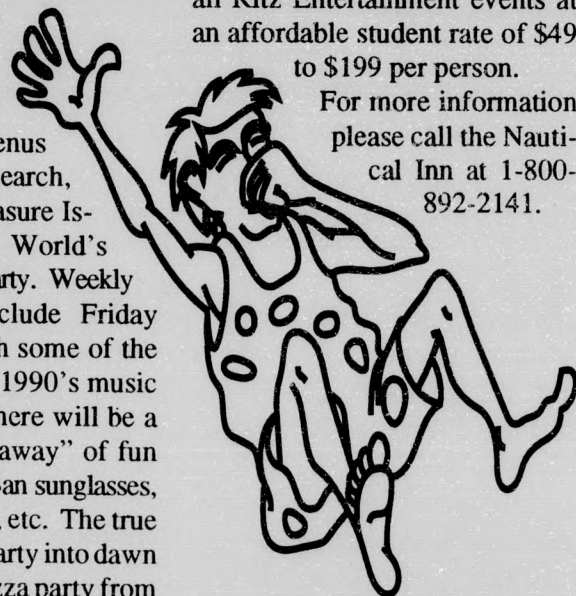
Among some of the hottest weekly events are B.U.M. Equipment's "Kamanna Wana" Luau, "Jamaican Me Crazy" Reggae Concert, Venus Swimwear Model Search, Chip and Pepper Pleasure Island Rave and the World's Largest Toga Beach Party. Weekly events will also include Friday evening concerts with some of the biggest names of the 1990's music scene. In addition, there will be a daily "midnight giveaway" of fun prizes including Ray-Ban sunglasses, phones, waverunners, etc. The true "party animals" can party into dawn with an after hours pizza party from

1 a.m. - 3 a.m.

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Book Review

'Rock' breathes life into dying faith

By Laurie Busby
el Don Staff Writer

In a neighborhood ravaged by crime and poverty stands St. Paul Community Church, a beacon in the darkest heart of Brooklyn.

St. Paul was known as "one of God's Alcatrazes" when the Rev. Johnny Ray Youngblood took over in 1974, and he proceeded to breathe life into the dying church, increasing the membership to 5,000 and carving a community out of the hardened surface of inner city.

"Upon This Rock: The Miracles of a Black Church," details the inspirational story of Youngblood's success at St. Paul. Written by Samuel G. Freedman, author of "Small Victories," this book crosses racial barriers and crushes stereotypes to paint an intimate portrait of the power and unity of the black church.

St. Paul serves as a haven for members concerned with crime, violence, teenage pregnancy and drugs. And Youngblood must stretch and bend the scriptures to fit

the lives and the needs of his parishioners.

In a Christmas sermon on Mary and Joseph, Youngblood likens the story to something the members can relate to - a young, unwed mother.

"So Joseph wasn't about to talk to the brothers. No sir. 'Man, you know what my ol' lady told me' No sir. That was one thing Joseph kept to himself. 'Cause you know what they gonna say. They would even call somebody's name that she been with..."

"So, when Jesus was conceived, wasn't no joy. Mary didn't go around 'I'm expectin' for the Lord. I'm expectin' for the Lord. No. No, wasn't none of that... I'll be honest with you, in a way, for Mary and Joseph that first Christmas was hell..."

Youngblood is a dynamic preacher, leading his congregation in the battles against adversity. Yet he is also quite human, trying to accept his illegitimate son and mend a tattered relationship with his father.

And Youngblood uses his mistakes and imperfections as lessons to his people, hoping to "heal by example."

Although Youngblood is the central focus of the book, Freedman widens the view to include several members of the congregation.

Robert Sharper, a former junkie who founded a support group for recovering drug addicts and alcoholics and their families; Kathleen Wilson, who offers love and discipline to needy children; Randy Murphy, who struggles to expand the limits of his mental retardation; Annie Nesbitt, whose long-time boyfriend was shot by an off-duty police officer in a traffic dispute; and Tom Approbato, Saint Paul's sole white member who has heard the calling to preach.

With anger, humor and dignity, Freedman has captured the essence of the black church. An emotional read, "Upon This Rock" illustrates the power of spirituality.

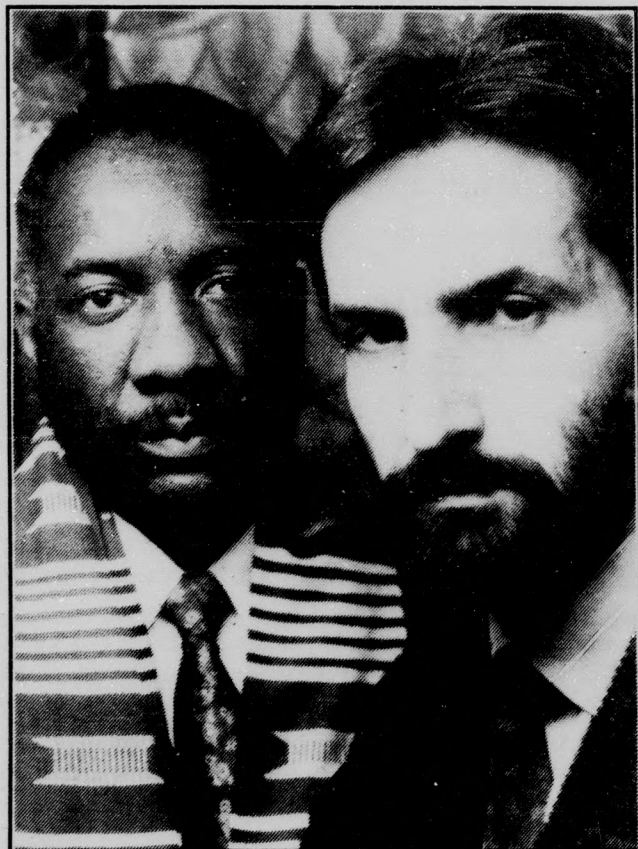


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Reverend Johnny Ray Youngblood and Samuel G. Freedman. From *Upon This Rock: The Miracles of a Black Church*.

Arizona logger talks about alien kidnapping experience

By Jeff Schnauffer
Special Correspondent
College Press Service

Was Travis Walton really abducted by aliens as depicted in the film, "Fire In The Sky?" If you ask the celebrities involved in the film, and Travis Walton himself, there are too many reasons not to believe the story.

According to the film, Walton was a member of a logging crew in Snowflake, Ariz. As the crew was heading home on the night of Nov. 5, 1975, they spotted a UFO.

Walton jumped out of the pickup to look at the UFO, then was struck by a blast of light. The rest of the crew panicked and drove away. The crew leader, Mike Rogers, then drove back in search of Walton, but he was gone.

The crew returned to town with their story. Without Walton, allegations of

murder soon were flying. Walton was found five days later, naked and claiming to have been abducted by aliens.

"When I read (the script) I was real skeptical, of course," said Henry Thomas, 21, the former child star from "E.T." who plays one of the loggers. But after shooting the film, Thomas said, "I believe this. It's too much trauma involved for it not to be true."

For Thomas and the other actors, the traumas of the event began to surface during the shooting of the film, where they learned the fate of the people they were portraying.

A straight-laced Mormon, played by actor Peter Berg, was one of those who changed dramatically after the UFO experience. "After the incident on the hill, my character left his hometown, left his church and is now living in Mexico," Berg said.

Another member of the logging crew re-

surfaced in early March and told cast members of a habit he developed after the UFO encounter. "He said he won't go out at night," Thomas said.

But the most haunting story was the one told by Walton himself. Seventeen years after his experience, Walton was brought to the set in Oregon. To many members it was Walton who opened their minds to the possibility that the abduction actually occurred.

"You really spend time with a guy like Travis Walton, it becomes hard to discredit," Berg said.

Indeed, Walton does not come off as a publicity hound. With his red hair and mustache, blue jeans and "US" belt buckle, this father of four emits an image of the ordinary American, except when you look into his eyes. There you see something that makes the back of your neck tingle.

For Walton, relating his experience to

the actors was not easy. "To talk about this experience - it's a gut-wrenching sort of thing," Walton said, eyes looking down and often mumbling. "The terror was something I was not able to talk about."

Instead, Walton's terror was evident when he joined the cast for a screening of the film in February. "When the abduction scene came on, he kind of curled up and held onto his wife," Thomas said.

But for Walton, the greatest test may be yet to come. After going without a telephone for 10 years to keep away prying reporters, he must now again deal with reaction to his story.

The actors wonder if the story will be questioned again.

"I think that we're conditioned to discredit the story," Berg said. "Until Manhattan experiences a UFO, until it lands on the World Trade Center, until it lands in Central Park, people aren't going to believe it."

'Fire In The Sky' traces man's UFO abduction story

By College Press Service
Special to the el Don

Some movies should not be seen alone. One such film is Paramount Picture's "Fire in the Sky," the story of Travis Walton, an Arizona logger who disappeared for five days in 1975 and later said he was abducted by aliens.

More than a UFO abduction movie, this film tackles some difficult human emotions - fear, betrayal and abandonment. When Walton's buddies leave him in the forest

with a UFO, the town accuses them of concocting a hoax to hide his murder. Then Walton returns to face his friends.

The cast includes D.B. Sweeney as Walton, Robert Patrick (the bad guy in "Terminator 2") as his best friend, Henry Thomas (the kid in "E.T.") as a terrified friend, and James Garner as the skeptic detective.

Add to this a pace that's out of this world (including an edge-of-your-seat experience with the aliens) and you've got a film that will make you watch the sky on the drive home.



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James Garner plays Arizona state investigator Lt. Frank Watters in Paramount's new release, Fire in the Sky, the story of a logger who is abducted by a UFO.

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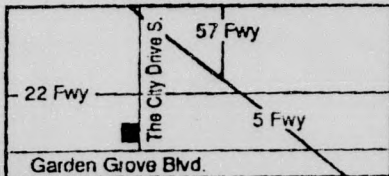
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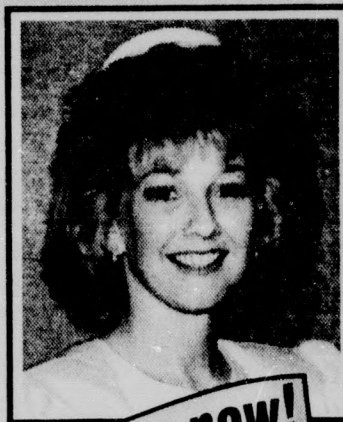
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Expanding The KINGDOM

Anaheim stands to gain 17,500 new jobs from Disney's proposed expansion, so why aren't they doing more to facilitate the building of a better mouse?

By Jason A. Spielfogel

Disneyland. I've always been drawn to this "Happiest Place on Earth". In the fast paced life of Orange County, it has remained a constant. Many a time have I gone to the Magic Kingdom with no other goal but to escape from the rat race and relax in the surreal atmosphere that is Disneyland's trademark.

Throughout the years, the park has changed. Rides like Adventure through Inner Space and America Sings are gone, and new rides like Star Tours, Splash Mountain, and Thunder Mountain have taken their place. How many of you remember the era of the "E" ticket and the sound of the snoring bear at the entrance of Bear Country?

While I miss all these things of Disneyland past, I recognize that times always must and do change, and the Disneyland of today has not lost any of the magic that captured my heart as a child.

In what is perhaps Disneyland's most ambitious plan to date, Disney wishes to undergo a massive expansion of the park, converting it into what will be known as the Disney Resort. The plan entails a plethora of projects including: three new themed hotels, two new state-of-the-art parking complexes, special freeway exits that bypass surface streets, a new "Westcot" park to be built where the existing parking lot is now, and a total revision of landscaping for the surrounding automotive and pedestrian thoroughfares.

Anyone who has walked or driven in the Disneyland area has seen the pathetic urban sprawl of cheap motels that adorn the immediate proximity of the park. Disney's plan calls for several new landscaping improvements including:

relocating power lines underground, dramatically increasing the flora along the surrounding streets, and creating "guide-lines for light fixtures, benches, monuments and signs along major streets, including coordinated color themes." Even the parking facilities will be tiered back with an outcrop of foliage around the rim of each level.

All in all, Disney expects the plan, if implemented, to cost an estimated \$3 billion. That's right, I said if implemented. Disney Development, the company in charge of the project, has been running into legislative and bureaucratic hurdles that have become hauntingly familiar potholes in California business.

This is surprising considering all the jobs this immense project could bring to this recession-stricken state. In the city of Anaheim, about 17,500 new jobs would be created. In all of Southern California, almost 30,000 jobs (direct and indirect) would be created, according to Disney.

As if that weren't enough, the state of California stands to make an estimated \$90 million a year in new revenues. The city of Anaheim alone would pull \$45.6 million of new revenue, a godsend for a city that faces some of the harshest budget shortfalls in the county.

Ironically, it is Anaheim itself which seems to be producing most of the obstacles. The main controversy surrounds Disney Development's request that the City of Anaheim widen and improve various intersections in the surrounding area. The city has balked at the requests so far, saying that Disney will have to foot the bill for any and all road improvements. In light of Congress's recent approval of some \$14.2 million in funds to build the freeway ramps, it seems most ungrateful, even foolish, for Anaheim to put up any

friction about a project that only serves to be a winning move for the city. It's important to note that as part of the contract for the building of Euro Disney outside of Paris, the country of France extended train lines and expanded roads, to help assist the opening of the park, as well as to cope with the projected increase in traffic the area would endure.

The most recent obstruction hovers around the reviewing, and ultimately, the approval of the environmental impact report, an in-depth study which entails all repercussions of the expansion project to the surrounding area.

In the summer of 1991, Disney abandoned plans to build its DisneySea park in Long Beach due to difficulties similar to those Anaheim is now producing. This was a harsh blow to a city that is already reeling under its recent increase of unemployment, a factor attributed to the city's escalating crime rate.

Anaheim's could be a similar fate if it continues this attempt at "biting the hand that feeds you." With Disneyland's proposed expansion comes the opportunity for Anaheim to straighten itself out, at least to some degree. What better teacher than Disneyland, an organization long noted for taking aesthetics and atmosphere not as a hobby, but as religion.

California government is just now coming to the realization that strangling business with useless and redundant regulations causes them to either fail or leave the state, both of which handicap state revenues. Anaheim would be wise to wake up and smell the coffee, or in this case, the unemployment. Instead of hindering Disney's efforts, the city should champion their cause, fighting not so much for Disney, but for its own prosperity and longevity as a tourist center.

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BASEBALL

Sat. March 20		Next Game:
RSC	3	Sat. March 27
Cypress	2	at Gold. West
		Noon

SOFTBALL

Fri. March 19		Next Game:
RSC	0	Today
Orange Coast	1	at Irvine Villy.
		3 p.m.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Fri. March 19		Next Match:
El Camino	15 15 15	Today
RSC	4 8 7	at Long Beach
		7 p.m.

MEN'S SWIMMING

Wed. March 17		Next Meet:
Riverside	86	Today
RSC	130	at Home
		2 p.m.

SPORTS WIRE

Mashburn, Cheaney top AP All-American team

University of Kentucky junior forward Jamal Mashburn and Indiana University senior forward Calbert Cheaney were the leading vote-getters for the 1992-93 AP All-American team.

Joining Mashburn and Cheaney on the first team are Duke senior point guard Bobby Hurley, Memphis State junior swingman Anfernee Hardaway and Michigan sophomore power forward Chris Webber.

Mashburn, the Southeastern Conference player of the year, received 317 points in the balloting of a 65-member panel of writers and broadcasters. He said he intends to forego his senior season to enter the NBA draft in June.

"I'm very happy with the selection," Mashburn said. "This a great honor, and I share it with my teammates because they made it possible. Right now, we're less concerned with individual honors and awards. We're concentrating on winning a (national) championship."

Cheaney, the most prolific scorer in Big Ten history and the Big Ten player of the year, received one less vote than Mashburn.

Hurley led Duke to back to back NCAA championships in 1991 and 1992. He is the NCAA's all-time assist leader.

Golden West coach joins World Games staff

Golden West College women's volleyball coach Al Gasparian has been added to the US coaching staff for the 1993 World University Games to be held July 8-18 in Buffalo, NY.

Gasparian coached Golden West to five state championships, including back to back titles in 1990 and 1991. He will serve with two other assistants on the staff of Coach Andy Banachowski, women's volleyball coach at UCLA.

Bozeman named Cal head coach

Todd Bozeman, 29, the assistant who took over when Lou Campanelli was fired at midseason, has been given a multiyear contract to be the head basketball coach for the California Golden Bears.

"I'm very excited about this, but I won't relish it until after the season," Bozeman said. "We have a goal we set, and now we want to continue to focus on one team at a time."

Cal is 9-1 since Bozeman took over. Still, he was not considered to be a candidate for the job because of his age and lack of experience.

"The job he has done in helping turn our team around in the last month has been nothing short of remarkable," said Bob Bockrath, athletic director at Cal, who was still scouting candidates until last week.

Compiled by Mark A. Peinado



DOUBLE PLAY

Shortstop Brent Howes (4) completes a double play in Cypress game. Chargers' Keith McDonald (7) is out at second.

Eric Campbell / el Don Photo

RSC pickoff play zaps Chargers 3-2

■ Balk in ninth wins it; Dons take OEC lead

By Ev Phillips
el Don Staff Writer

CYPRESS - In baseball, it's often the little things that make all the difference. Saturday's Rancho-Cypress game, with first place in the Orange Empire Conference on the line, was a case in point.

The Dons edged the Chargers 3-2, scoring the winning run on a balk in the top of

the ninth, then preserved the victory with a trick pickoff play in the bottom of the ninth.

"We (were in a jam) and needed something to get us out of it," head Coach Don Sneddon explained. "Cypress put in a pinch runner who seemed pretty aggressive, so I thought the time was right to do something (dramatic). It definitely was a game-saver."

Designated hitter Corey Dean-Yeager led off the Cypress ninth with a walk. Greg Cole lined a double down the right field line and the Chargers, trailing 3-1, suddenly had the tying runs in scoring position with no one out.

But Josh Pruitt, running for Cole, was picked off second in the bizarre play that

ultimately cost Cypress the game.

Steve Thobe, in to relieve Don starter Brandon Hoalton following Cole's hit, was pitching to the Chargers' Josh Kliner. With the count 1-0 on Kliner, Thobe whirled and faked a throw to second as shortstop Brent Howes and second baseman Ryan Andersen dove towards the bag and center fielder Tony Truel ran in to recover the imaginary ball.

With the entire Cypress bench yelling at Pruitt to get back and Rancho fielders moving all around him, the startled runner was frozen between second and third. Before Pruitt could recover, Thobe ran

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Warriors ambush Dons at the net

By Roger Denman
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - The men's volleyball team has made strides throughout the season, but Friday they ran into a brick wall in the form of El Camino College, losing in straight games 15-4, 15-8, 15-7.

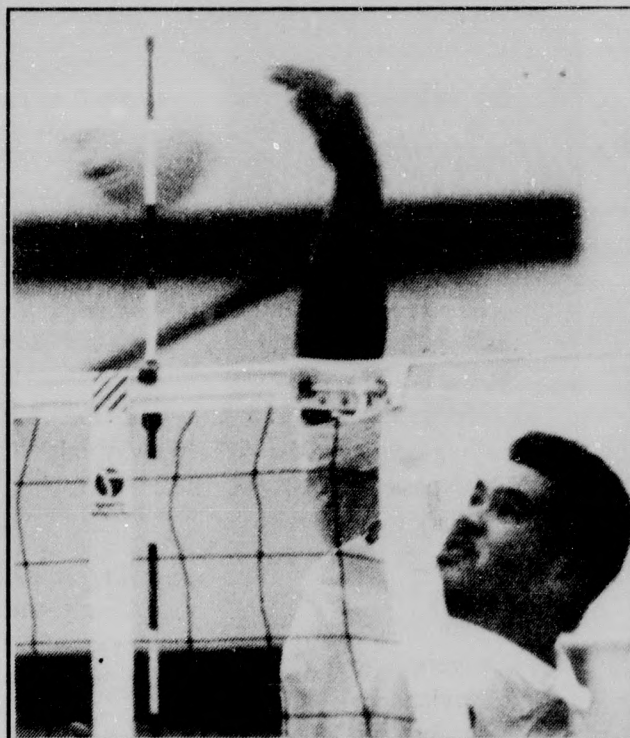
The Warriors jumped out to an early lead in the first game, taking advantage of RSC service errors and missed digs to win going away.

Rancho tried to mount a comeback in the second game, but El Camino thwarted a surge by the Dons. The Warriors played strong at the net and held serve.

The visitors also controlled the third game from the outset and never looked back. They managed to hold off a late RSC run to clinch the match.

Ina Sitagata, who has been the team's most valuable player for most of the season, led the Dons with 19 kills and nine digs. Rob Nelson chipped in with five kills and six

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KA-BOOM

RSC's Ina Sitagata goes for a kill just inside the out of bounds marker during the loss to El Camino.

Carlos Echegoyen / el Don Photo

GOLF

Rancho drives Chargers off course for win

By Mark A. Peinado
el Don Staff Writer

CYPRESS - After starting the season 0-3 in conference, the RSC golf team has won four of its last five Orange Empire Conference matches, including a 395-402 win over Cypress Monday.

Tony Borjas led the way with a 78. Barlow Elton, Sam Hwang, and Neil Morash all shot 79s, while Steve Deol carded an 80 to give the Dons the victory over the Chargers.

RSC is now 4-4 in conference and is looking toward the last half of the season to make a run

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MAKING A BIG SPLASH

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RSC swimmer Peter Wilson had a big day Wednesday as he finished first in the 1000yd. (11:09.0) and third in the 200yd. backstroke (2:21.5) in the Dons victory over the Tigers.

RSC swimmers improve record to 4-0

By Mark A. Peinado
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - The RSC men's swim team improved its Orange Empire Conference record to 4-0 Wednesday by defeating Riverside College 130-86.

The Dons opened the meet with Jim Smith, Joel Stewart, Eric Owens and Josh Routon finishing first in the 400 yard medley relay in a time of 1:00.8. John Thonn, Majid Ahmadi, Jeremy Yorba and Steve Deboer finished second (1:02.2).

In the next two events, RSC swept both the 1000yd. and 200yd. freestyle. Peter Wilson finished first in the 1000 (11:09.0) and David Jones finished first in the 200 (2:02.7). Christian Stewart finished second in the 1000 (11:43.7) and third in the 200 (2:05.4). Ahmadi finished third in the 1000 (12:04.3) and Nick Welche finished second in the 200 (2:04.7).

Joel Stewart had a great meet as he finished first in both the 50yd. (22.8) and 100yd. (50.1) freestyle events. Also having a good meet was Jason Leach who finished first in the 200yd. individual medley

(2:09.0) and the 500 yd. freestyle (5:06.1).

With the meet already won, coach Bob Gaughran Jr. decided not to compete in the final event, the 400yd. freestyle relay.

"Our biggest meet is against Orange Coast College, it will probably be for the conference championship," Gaughran said. "The kids are excited and working hard. We're just going to have to go out there and put out the best effort we can."

The Dons face the Pirates at the RSC pool today. If the Dons win, they should have a clear path to the OEC title. The meet starts at 2 p.m.

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digs.

The loss damages RSC's hopes for an invitation to the Southern California Regional playoffs, which had been a goal that the team set out to accomplish this season.

The Dons received more bad news when it was learned that their two best players from last year's squad will not return.

Lyle Castillo, who finished second in the South Coast Conference in hitting percentage (ratio of kills to total attempts), will not play due to personal reasons. Joe Ugalde, the team's top playmaker, could not return for play this year because of previous obligations.

"We are going to miss those guys. They were leaders and they meant a lot to this team," second year head coach Lance Stewart said. "But we have a good young team this year and we'll be exciting to watch."

The Dons travel to Long Beach City College tonight for a 7 p.m. match against the Vikings.

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at the OEC title.

The remaining OEC schedule has the Dons on the road for three of the next five matches.

"We have a great chance to win a majority of them," coach Richard Gorrie said. "We just have to go out there and stop playing the opponent and start playing the golf course. Twelve of the 15 players on the team are freshmen and it's sometimes hard to get that point across to them."

In a tournament previous to the Dons defeat of the Chargers, RSC placed fourth out of 18 colleges at the San Diego Golf Academy.

After playing Cypress, RSC defeated Rio Hondo 392-405 in a non-conference match. Joey Adamo, Elton and Hwang shot 77s to lead the Dons. Deol came in with a 78 while Mark Manion had a 79 in the 13-stroke RSC win.

"We're still not playing to each guy's athletic ability," said Gorrie. "They are not staying mentally strong during the matches."

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Hornets sting Lady Dons with shutout

By Patrick Delaney
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA CAMPUS - The Lady Dons softball team (11-11, 4-3) lost 6-0 to Fullerton in an Orange Empire Conference game Monday.

Jamie Parker (9-10), was replaced by reliever Rachel Gomez after four innings of play with the Hornets up 4-0.

Fullerton scored the final two in the top of the sixth inning.

This is the second loss for the Lady Dons, who were defeated Friday, by Orange Coast College in another conference matchup.

"Against OCC we committed a throwing error and that just took us out of our game, we couldn't quit get back into the rhythm," said head coach Kim Nutter.

Another blow to the Dons is the loss of starting center fielder Robin Northcraft, who was hit in the first inning sustaining a broken arm and putting her out for the season.



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THE HEATER

RSC's Jamie Parker delivers a pitch during the 6-0 conference loss to Fullerton on Monday

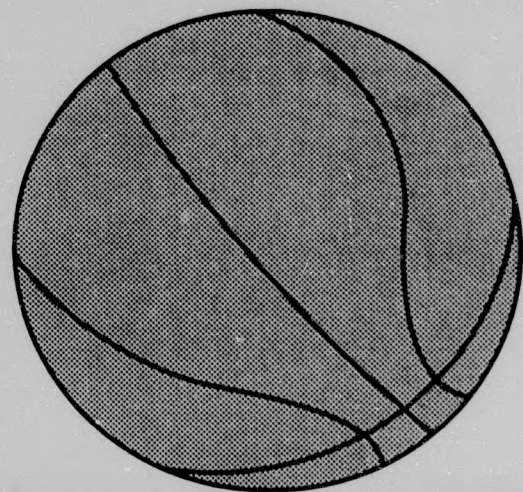
Northcraft will be replaced by Suki Godoy, one of the few substitutes the Dons have on the team.

The OEC is lead by Cypress (7-

0), the Dons are tied for third with Fullerton.

The Lady Dons play at Irvine Valley College today at 3 p.m.

From RSC to Cincinnati, Erik Martin keeps winning



■ Former Rancho basketball star Erik Martin is on the championship trail again as he and his Bearcat teammates try to reach their second Final Four.

By Mark A. Peinado
el Don Staff Writer

After bringing RSC a California state basketball title in 1991, former Rancho Santiago College basketball star Erik Martin decided he would transfer to the University of Cincinnati, where he found himself in a different environment.

Martin, a 6-4, 215-pound swingman for the Bearcats, said his father has been the steadiest influence in his basketball career. "He taught me everything I know," said Martin. "He has made the biggest impact on my life."

Martin had said that he was not going to commit to a college until the spring signing period but after talking to coach Moeller, an assistant at Cincinnati, he decided not to wait until the spring and signed early.

When Martin transferred to Cincinnati, he said he had no real problem adjusting to Division I basketball because he had played a year of it before going to Rancho. Martin's only real problem was head coach Bob Huggins's defensive drills.

"I never really liked playing defense," Martin said. "It took me about half of my junior year to get used to it."

He fills an important role on the team because he plays the middle of the Bearcat's full-court press, stays active on the boards, and just moves without the ball.

Martin's relationship with head coach Bob Huggins has been "hot and cold" over the two seasons that he has been at Cincinnati, Martin said.

In a midseason conference game against the De Paul Blue Demons, Martin was sent to the locker room during the first half of the game by Huggins. He would later come back and play in the second half. At the end of the game, Huggins walked off the court hugging Martin.

"Erik just got a little over-emotional," said Huggins.

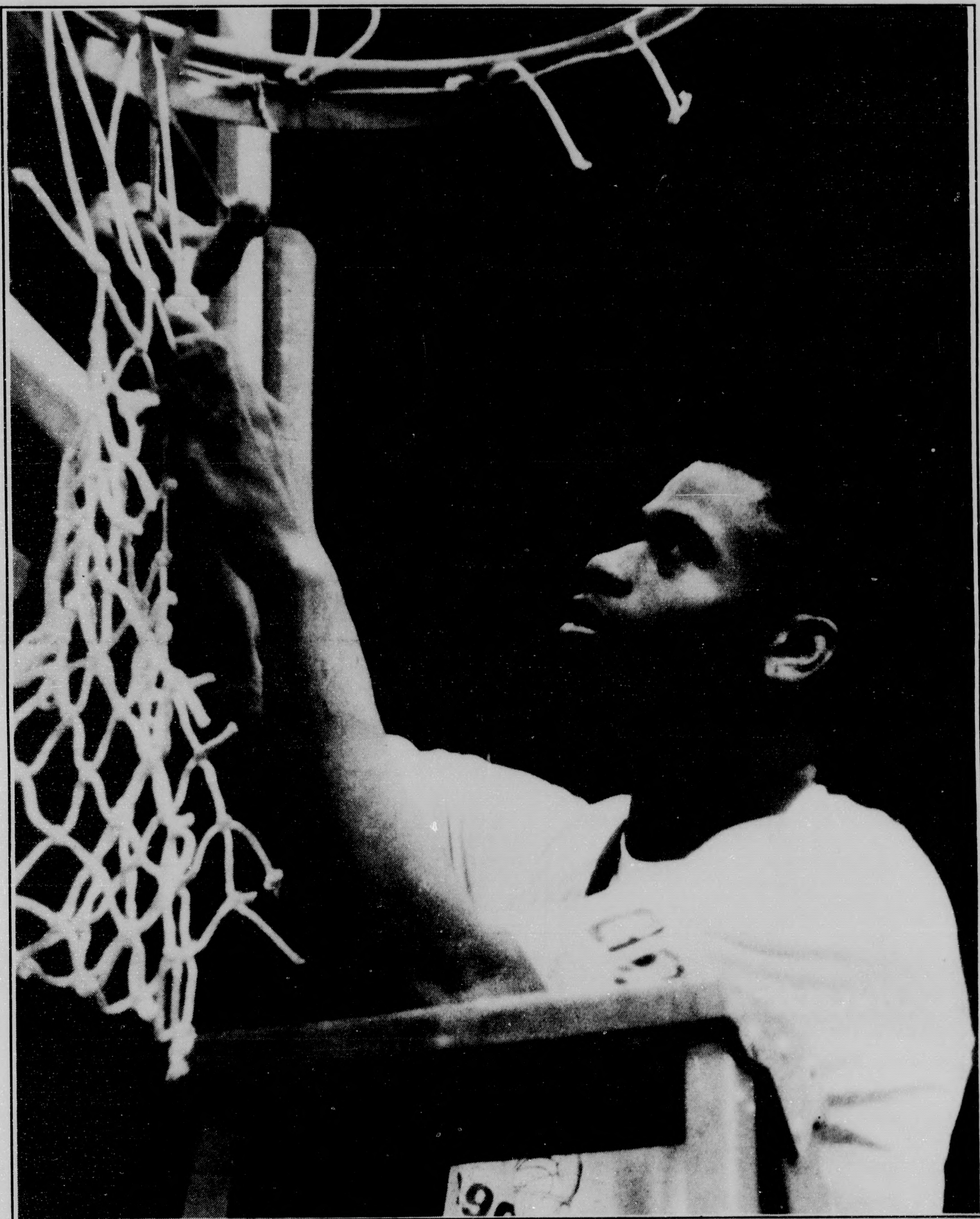
"I just lost control and said something I shouldn't have," Martin said. "He (Huggins) has helped me improve as a player and grow as a person."

Last season the Bearcats went to the Final Four in Minneapolis but lost in the semifinals to the University of Michigan, the eventual runner-up for the national championship. Martin said the experience helped him by giving him confidence that he and the team "can play with anyone."

He said for the team to get back to the Final Four, held this year in New Orleans, the Bearcats must crash the boards and pick up the intensity on their press.

Right now, Martin said he has no thoughts about going to the NBA or playing basketball overseas, saying he would rather wait until the Bearcats season is over to really think about his options. He also said it wouldn't be good for the team to have him not focusing on the team's number one goal, winning a national championship.

Martin, along with RSC teammate Corie Blount and two other community college transfers, has made Cincinnati one of the top ten schools in college basketball over the last two seasons. Martin said that they have brought stability to the program and it would probably help them in recruiting for the next couple of years. He said that the Cincinnati community is a lot more conservative than Orange County and the weather is a lot colder.



CHAMPION

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Former RSC basketball star Erik Martin cuts down the net after the Dons victory in California state championship in 1991.

"He taught me everything I know. He has made the biggest impact on my life."

Erik Martin, reflecting about his father

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over and tagged him out.

That left Wes Brasher, running for Dean-Yeager, at third. Kliner then grounded to first baseman Chris Lugo for the second out. Brasher scored on the play to cut RSC's lead to 3-2.

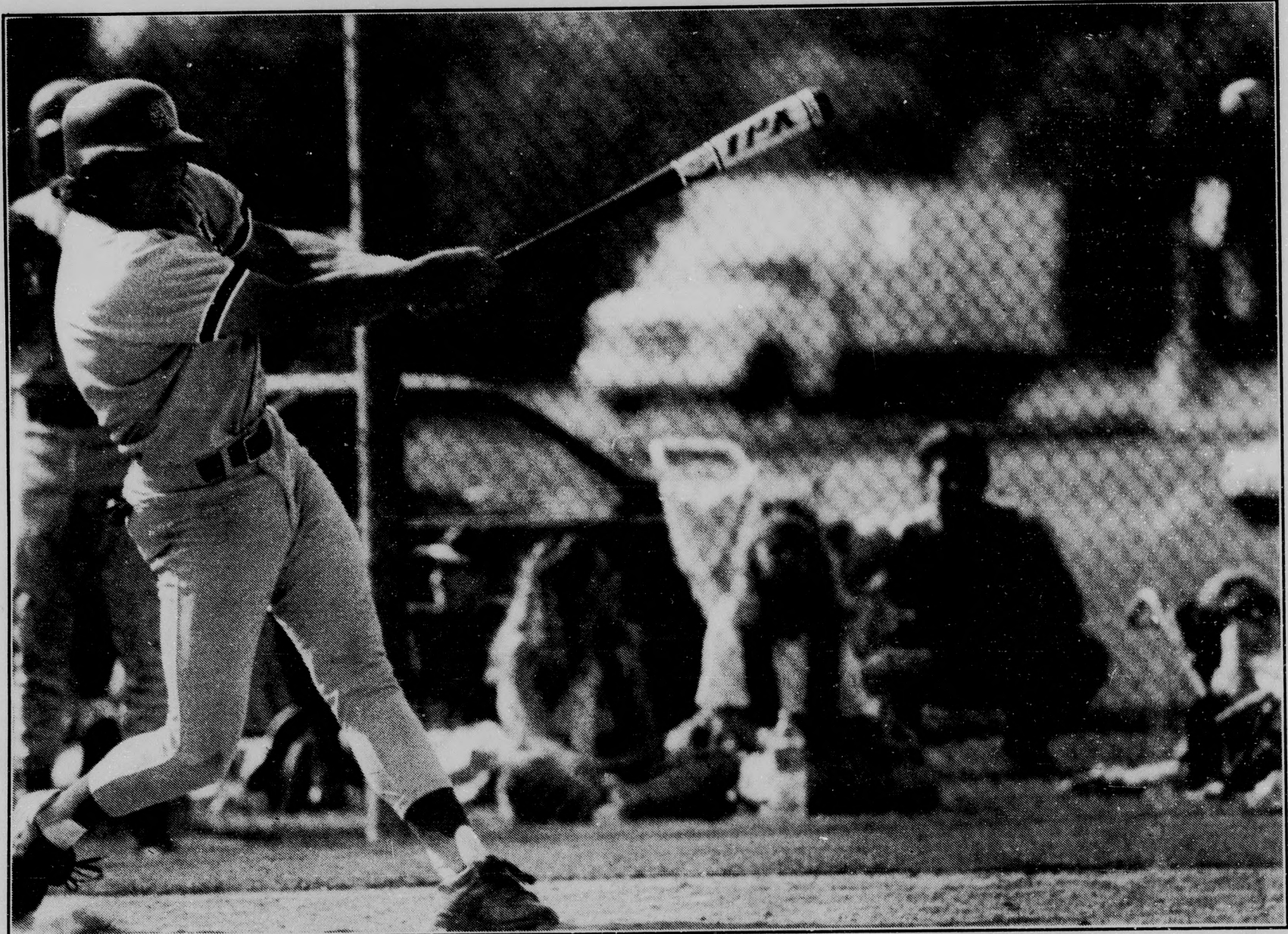
Gary Manley followed with a single to center that would have scored Pruitt with the tying run. Another single by Eric Stevens sent Manley to third, but Thobe induced Kevin Clark to ground to short for the final out.

The Dons scored the winning run in their half of the inning when Charger relief pitcher Rob Crabtree committed a balk with pinch runner Todd Devaney at third.

Andersen broke up a scoreless duel between Hoalton and the Chargers' Rick Orr when he led off the sixth with a home run. Cypress tied the game in the seventh when Cole singled, moved to third on a single by Manley and scored on another single by Clark.

Thobe, who started the game as Rancho's designated hitter, unloaded a solo homer in the eighth to give the Dons a 2-1 lead. He was also credited with his second save as Hoalton ran his unbeaten record to 5-0.

RSC (16-4, 6-3) regained sole possession of first place in the OEC with the victory. The Chargers (15-7, 5-4) fell to second in conference.



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DRIVING IT OUT

Ryan Andersen smashes a home run against Cypress to give Dons a 1-0 lead. The ball cleared the 365-foot sign in right center field.

Earlier in the week, the Dons split a home-and-home series with Riverside. RSC beat the Tigers 7-1 at home March 16 behind Kent

Dowding, making a comeback from serious back surgery, then lost 1-0 two days later at Riverside.

After home games this week

against Cypress and Golden West, the Dons play on the road Saturday at Golden West. Game time is noon.

Don Notes:

Andersen leads the Dons with a .353 batting average and 19 runs batted in. David Gonzalez and Jason Minici are next at .339 and .338.

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